

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

RULES
Senator Thrasher, Chair
Senator Alexander, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Friday, April 15, 2011
TIME: 9:15 a.m.—12:15 p.m.
PLACE: Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Thrasher, Chair; Senator Alexander, Vice Chair; Senators Bullard, Flores, Gaetz, Gardiner, Jones, Margolis, Negron, Richter, Siplin, Smith, and Wise

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
Consent Agenda			
1	CS/SB 426 Judiciary / Latvala (Similar CS/H 291)	Service of Process; Authorizes certified process servers to serve writs of possession in actions for possession of residential property. Authorizes a landlord to select a certified process server to serve a writ of possession. Requires a certified process server to provide notice of the posting of the writ to the sheriff. JU 02/08/2011 Fav/CS CA 03/21/2011 Not Considered CA 03/28/2011 Favorable RC 04/05/2011 Temporarily Postponed RC 04/15/2011 Temporarily Postponed	Temporarily Postponed
2	SB 652 Simmons (Compare CS/H 703)	Liability of Spaceflight Entities; Saves a provision from future repeal which provides spaceflight entities with immunity from liability for the loss, damage, or death of a participant resulting from the inherent risks of spaceflight activities. MS 03/10/2011 Favorable JU 03/22/2011 Favorable RC 04/05/2011 Not Considered RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0
3	SB 1620 Flores (Compare CS/H 7197) (If Received)	K-12 Educational Instruction; Adds statewide virtual providers to the list of public school choices. Authorizes the creation of a virtual charter school. Requires the virtual charter school to contract with an approved statewide virtual provider. Provides for funding of the virtual charter school. Provides for a blended-learning charter school. Provides that home education students may enroll in certain virtual education courses or courses offered in the school district in which they reside, etc. ED 04/05/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Not Considered RC 04/15/2011 Not Received	Not Received

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4	CS/SB 886 Transportation / Oelrich (Compare H 643)	Motor Vehicles; Revises penalties for unlawful operation of a soundmaking device in a motor vehicle. Provides that a second or subsequent violation is a moving violation and includes the assessment of points against the driver's license. Provides increased penalties for repeat violations within a certain time period. TR 03/09/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 1
5	CS/CS/SB 512 Budget / Environmental Preservation and Conservation / Negrón (Similar CS/CS/H 293, Compare CS/S 968)	Vessels; Revises penalty provisions for the violation of navigation rules. Provides that a violation resulting in serious bodily injury or death is a second-degree misdemeanor. Provides that a violation that does not constitute reckless operation of a vessel is a noncriminal violation. Provides an additional exemption from the requirement that certain persons possess a boating safety identification card while operating a motor vessel of a specified horsepower. Provides for increased penalties for certain noncriminal violations of navigation rules, etc. EP 03/17/2011 Temporarily Postponed EP 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
6	CS/CS/SB 1286 Budget / Banking and Insurance / Bennett (Similar CS/H 723)	State Reciprocity in Workers' Compensation Claims; Provides extraterritorial coverage for employees of this state who temporarily leave this state incidental to his or her employment. Exempts certain employees from another state working in this state and the employers of such employees from the workers' compensation law of this state under certain conditions. Provides that the benefits under the workers' compensation insurance or similar laws of the other state are the exclusive remedy against the employer for any injury received by an employee working temporarily in this state, etc. BI 03/22/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 12 Nays 0

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7	CS/CS/SB 274 Budget / Transportation / Lynn (Compare H 489, H 953, CS/CS/H 1363, CS/H 7213, S 492, S 908, S 1172, S 1464)	Road and Bridge Designations; Designates Senator Javier D. Souto Way in Miami-Dade County. Designates Nona and Papa Road in St. Johns County. Designates Walter Francis Spence Parkway in Okaloosa County. Designates Corporal Michael J. Roberts Parkway in Hillsborough County. Designates the Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Sgt. Nicholas G. Sottile Memorial in Highlands County, etc. TR 03/29/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 12 Nays 0
8	SB 550 Hays (Identical H 4097) (If Received)	Repealing Budget Provisions; Deletes certain budget summary requirements. Repeals a provision relating to Mobility 2000 funding. Conforms cross-references. TR 02/22/2011 Favorable BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Not Considered RC 04/15/2011 Not Received	Not Received
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9	SB 704 Sachs (Identical H 765)	Special Observances/Purple Heart Day; Designates August 7 of each year as "Purple Heart Day." MS 03/17/2011 Favorable GO 04/05/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 12 Nays 0
End of Consent Agenda			
10	CS/CS/SB 402 Community Affairs / Criminal Justice / Negrón (Similar CS/CS/CS/H 45)	Regulation of Firearms and Ammunition; Prohibits specified persons and entities, when acting in their official capacity, from regulating or attempting to regulate firearms or ammunition in any manner except as specifically authorized by s. 790.33, F.S., by general law, or by the State Constitution. Eliminates provisions authorizing counties to adopt an ordinance requiring a waiting period between the purchase and delivery of a handgun. Provides a penalty for knowing and willful violations of prohibitions, etc. CJ 02/08/2011 Fav/CS CA 03/21/2011 Fav/CS JU 04/04/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 2

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11	CS/SJR 1538 Judiciary / Flores (Identical CS/HJR 1179)	Abortion/Public Funding/Construction of Rights; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to generally prohibit public funding of abortions and prohibit the State Constitution from being interpreted to create broader rights to an abortion than those contained in the United States Constitution. HR 03/14/2011 Favorable JU 03/22/2011 Not Considered JU 03/28/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 3
12	SJR 1664 Bogdanoff (Compare HJR 1097, CS/HJR 7111)	Senate Confirmation/Appointments to Supreme Court; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to require Senate confirmation of appointments to the office of justice of the Supreme Court. JU 03/22/2011 Not Considered JU 03/28/2011 Favorable GO 04/05/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 2
13	CS/SB 2086 Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections / Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections (Compare H 559, H 813, CS/CS/H 1261, CS/CS/H 1355, CS/S 242, CS/S 1504, S 1968)	Elections; Requires that voter information cards contain the address of the polling place of the registered voter. Requires a supervisor of elections to issue a new voter information card to a voter upon a change in a voter's address of legal residence or a change in a voter's polling place address. Provides instructions for implementation by the supervisors of elections. Allows a candidate to obtain the required number of signatures from any registered voter regardless of district boundaries in a year of apportionment, etc. EE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 2
14	CS/SB 2088 Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections / Rules (Compare H 1071, CS/S 86, S 1484, S 1692)	Ethics; Provides for an exception to a provision authorizing a state public officer to vote in an official capacity on any matter, to conform to changes made by the act. Prohibits a member of the Legislature from voting upon any legislation inuring to his or her special private gain or loss. Revises provisions relating to the requisite mental state for the offenses of unlawful compensation and reward for official behavior and official misconduct, to conform to changes made by the act, etc. EE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Temporarily Postponed BC	Temporarily Postponed

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15	CS/SB 234 Criminal Justice / Evers (Similar CS/CS/H 517, Compare CS/H 4069, CS/S 956)	Firearms; Provides that a person in compliance with the terms of a concealed carry license may carry openly notwithstanding specified provisions. Allows the Division of Licensing of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to take fingerprints from concealed carry license applicants. Provides that concealed carry licensees shall not be prohibited from carrying or storing a firearm in a vehicle for lawful purposes. Repeals provisions relating to the purchase of rifles and shotguns in contiguous states, etc. CJ 02/22/2011 Temporarily Postponed CJ 03/09/2011 Temporarily Postponed CJ 03/14/2011 Fav/CS JU 04/12/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 4
16	CS/SB 1754 Banking and Insurance / Garcia (Identical CS/H 1193)	Health Insurance; Prohibits a person from being compelled to purchase health insurance except under specified conditions. Specifies that the act does not prohibit the collection of certain debts. BI 03/22/2011 Temporarily Postponed BI 04/05/2011 Fav/CS HR 04/12/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 7 Nays 2
17	SB 2170 Judiciary (If Received)	Judicial Nominating Commissions; Provides for the Attorney General, rather than the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar, to submit nominees for certain positions on judicial nominating commissions. Provides for the termination of terms of all current members of judicial nominating commissions. Provides for staggered terms of newly appointed members. JU 04/12/2011 Not Considered RC 04/15/2011 Not Received	Not Received
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18	CS/SB 830 Community Affairs / Thrasher (Similar CS/H 1021)	Labor and Employment; Prohibits a state agency from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity. Prohibits a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity, etc. CA 03/07/2011 CA 03/14/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Favorable RC 04/15/2011 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 4
19	CS/SB 1388 Education Pre-K - 12 / Flores (Similar CS/CS/H 965) (If Received)	Department of Revenue; Authorizes the department to release certain taxpayers' names and addresses to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Deletes a limitation on the amount of tax credit allowable for contributions made to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Extends the carry-forward period for the use of certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program. Deletes a restriction on a taxpayer's ability to rescind certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the program. ED 03/30/2011 Fav/CS BC 04/13/2011 Not Considered BC 04/14/2011 Not Considered RC 04/15/2011 Not Received	Not Received
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20	CS/CS/SB 1522 Banking and Insurance / Health Regulation / Gaetz (Similar CS/CS/H 445, Compare CS/H 119, CS/S 1736, CS/CS/CS/S 1972)	Wellness or Health Improvement Programs; Authorizes insurers and health maintenance organizations to offer a voluntary wellness or health improvement program and to encourage or reward participation in the program by offering rewards or incentives to members. Authorizes insurers and health maintenance organizations to require plan members not participating in the wellness or health improvement programs to provide verification that their medical condition warrants nonparticipation in order for the nonparticipants to receive rewards or incentives, etc. HR 03/22/2011 Fav/CS BI 04/12/2011 Fav/CS RC 04/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0

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21	SB 42 Benacquisto (Similar H 1151, Identical H 57, Compare H 525)	Relief/Eric Brody/Broward County Sheriff's Office; Compensates Eric Brody for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of the Broward County Sheriff's Office. Authorizes the Sheriff of Broward County, in lieu of payment, to execute to Eric Brody and his legal guardians an assignment of all claims that the Broward County Sheriff's Office has against its insurer arising out of the insurer's handling of the claim against the sheriff's office, etc. SM 04/07/2011 Recommendation: Unfavorable RC 04/15/2011 Temporarily Postponed	Temporarily Postponed
